

# AMA-CHEWER

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## PROGRAMS

- March 19th THURSDAY Edward P. Tilton, WHDQ the VHF editor of ARRL will give a talk on VHF and UHF. This meeting will be held in the East room of the World War Memorial. Pass the word around to all hams to attend this meeting.
- March 20th No meeting, attend the Thursday night session.
- March 27th Claude Ritche, W9TKV will lead a discussion of DX techniques. (Claude is a real DX man and has quite a record to show for it so you may learn how you may snag those DX stations.
- April 3rd Movie. "The Antenna is the Payoff". This film is furnished by the Channel Master Company and has been well attended when it has been shown so plan on being at meeting early so that you may not miss it.
- April 10th Business meeting of the club.
- April 17th Tentatively planned to have a talk on new tube designs for Amateur Applications by Lou Smith of Amperex Electronic Corp.
- April 24th Tentatively planned to have talk and movie from Fansteel Metallurgical Company on Tantalum Capacitors.

(Firm dates will be supplied for the last two programs as soon as possible.)

Club meetings unless otherwise noted are held at the Marine Armory at 2830 East Riverside Drive. Parking on the South side of the building please. Meetings start at 8:00 PM. Everyone is invited to attend and a special appeal is made that Novices attend.

## CLUB OFFICERS

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You can contact any of these officers to learn of club doings, to offer or suggest club programs or activities and so forth. Help them to help the club.

## NEW MEMBER

Jack Hofeld, WN9VVX 3624 E. 34th St. Indpls.



Welcome to the Indianapolis Radio Club Inc. Jack and we hope that you will enjoy your new association with the club.

### CLASSIFIED

FOR SALE, trade or swap. TV boosters used for field testing, complete in FB cabinets. Contact Art Schultz, W9NNX, 908 East Michigan St. Phone CAPITOL 7223.

FOR-SALE: New, never used, 813's. Price is low. Call Roy Fix, Phone GA 4322.

A. PITTMAN has obtained a quantity of radio parts from an elderly lady whose husband has passed away. He is trying to dispose of some of these parts for her. Included are: 1 Instructograph in new condition with 7 reels of tape, 1 McElroy code oscillator, 1 telegraph key and buzzer, 1 Vibroplex key, old, but in good condition, 1 Vibroplex key new condition, 1 single and 1 double headphone, 1 telegraph sounder, 1 code buzzer, 1 telegraph key, Msl. files, chisels, screwdrivers, one very fine Walnut work bench. Call Alvey at CO 8331 or see him at any club meeting.

RADIO CLUB TRANSMITTER: Our plans for installing our new Viking II transmitter in the present club room at the Marine Armory have been changed because of reasons beyond our control. A recent increase in the Marine Corps activity has made it necessary for the commanding officer to retract his earlier agreement to permit the installation of our transmitter at the armory.

In-as-much as our plans for a permanent club house are not complete we unfortunately have no occasion to maintain a club transmitter. This situation has been discussed at the regular business meetings of the club and at the board of directors meeting and a decision has been made to offer for sale the following equipment. One (1) Viking II transmitter complete with a Johnson # 122 VFO with instruction booklet. Price \$327.40. (Club receiver may be offered for sale later.) If you are interested in the purchase of this equipment please contact the club president John Jones, W9FZW phone CAPITOL 5722.

If it develops that more than one person wishes to purchase the equipment we will place their names in a "hat" and draw for the lucky name.

This sale will be at the next business meeting. The sale of same is strictly for cash. The transmitter will be delivered to the club room for removal by the buyer.

### CLUB DOINGS

For the summer months the club has adopted the following for the summer months of July, Aug., and Sept. During these months the club will meet only on the 2th and 4th Friday nights.

Plans for field day are already being formed with the possibility that it will be held at the park close to the Armory. Byron Fortner is the Chairman of Field Day this year. (What do you want Byron?)

For future programs of the club its membership will be assigned magazine articles to read up on and present at the club. When your time comes let's hear from you. This should make interesting and timely programs as well as giving members a chance to improve their public speaking.



## REPORTING

Following are notes and items handed to ye editor from club members.

Remember the Novice contest oof the IRCC 1 point for each state 2 points if verified. July 10th the verifications must be in.

The license plate law wher by a ham may purchase his auto license to bear his call has passed the law making bodies and been signed into law by the governor. Only catch seems to be that a \$5.00 fee is to be charged inste ad of the \$1.00 or \$2.00 fee proposed in the first bill as presented.

Would like to start a Novice net on 11 meters and 80 meters. Mostly on 80 metdrs because of less QRM. Can it be done,

W9CKB, Jim Sugioka has returned from Texas and while there the 40 meter band for phone went into operation. Worked acr ss the city of Dallas, Texas via W50MJ.

Claude Richie, W9TKV your director reports that he is going to suggest at the next board of directors meeting that no program shall extend beyond 9:30 PM and that adjournment be called at that time. (Ed. Would that allow a really good program to get all its content across,)

Claude Richie, W9TKV furthur re orts that he is still trying to sheedle 11 cards out of some of his DX contacts so that he can have the 100 QSL's necessary for the DXCC.

W9DPL, Howard Severeid reports that anytime now we sho d start to arrange for a 10 and 75 meter mobile gang to be ready for action on and before memorial day to help visiting mobile operators who come to the 500 mile race. Also that QST and CQ be notified that we will be on the air with such done as well as the frequencies that will be open.

Why don't we get the club's 2 meter rig on the air, Would like to hear some more activity on two. No sense leaving it off when it can add to civil defense. (Ed note. It is my understanding that now this rig is being used for monitoring and operation by Elmer Taflinger, any reports on this?)

W9AFJ, Jerry Lucas is finally getting started on his country estate on West 79th. Has visions of an antenna farm. (Ed. Ye dd has been out to Jerry's estate and it is soon to be ready for him to move into. A one level slab heated house with a fireplace. Jerry has been making trips out there almost every day to see his pride and joy going up as well as to add to the wiring in the form of extra telephone outlets, TV and ham antenna outlets. Nice place om.)

W9CKB will be (or has) hitting the road to Texas. Hopes to meet a fellow preacher W5EH at Houston, Texas. They are planning a ministers net to operate on 7075 KC.

Ye ed still on the board of directors of the North East Community Center where we used to meet wishes to state that he has membership cards he is selling at \$1.00 the funds for which are used for activities at the Center. See Caskey at meeting, or call him.



Ye ed is in possession of a card from one Narciso F. Pinto Jr. Obr. 434 Rua Infante D. Henrique, 73-40 Porto Portugal. Narciso tells that he is a member of the official Portuguese Amateur Radio Association with license 434 but as he has no station license or call sign that he must operate other local ham's stations. He states that he is starting a collection of bulletins published by radio associations and then as he says it "Therefore I dare ask you to kindly send me a recent copy of your bulletin for my collection". He sends his thanks for same. Well if we send that one, and ye ed will unless for some reason he should not, our publication is surely covering more and more territory.

Byron Fortner, W9FYM has installed an HRO-7 receiver on his operating table and reports it sure is a swell receiver.

Jerry Lucas, WCAPJ is busy working on a mobile transmitter to be used on the 20 meter band in his Studebaker, hopes to be on soon. (Ed. maybe he has other irons in the fire right now and has to get his new shack (his ham shack that is) ready so that he can continue his building activities. (Ed. Wonder how Jarry is ever going to get all his stuff out of his attic and garage and out to his new house.)

This isto notify Doc, W9TG down Franklin way that plans are being made by Ray Forbes, W9HNS, D. J. Angus, W9CY to motor down to pay him a visit in the near future.

Jim Sugioka has been to the island of Jamaica. (Ed. Jim usually looks us the hams in those spots that he is working and sends an address for our paper to be sent to.

W9DPL, Howard Severeid reports having a letter from W3BBV who also has the call signs A3B3V, A3BLA, WUB42, AVU, and KA553 for use in his various radio activities. Wonder if he ever forgets what call to sign off with, Hi.

For the fellows who requested it, the present address of Max Stout, W9JTY is 1818 23rd St. Galveston, Texas. Max has quit the sea-going radio operating for now and is operating at a Mackay owned ship to shore station in Galveston, and would like to hear from any of the local gang.

Several of the local boys including Henry Harney, W9FY, Howard Severeid, W9DPL and W9KIY, D. McLeod have worked Charlie Parker, ex-vice president of our club. Charlie is operating mobile on ten meters from out in California with the call W4TQB. He says that he likes the climate seell and ditto his job in electronics with an aircraft manufacturer.

W9RUC, Noble Watson will be off the air for a while until he can relocate, having sold his tourist camp here. Noble hopes to build a modern motel and ham-shack not too far from his past place of activities.

Recent newspaper stories carried photos and pictures of the ham rig of Elmer Taflinger, W9GRN, with a nice write-up on him and the how and wherefore of ham radio in general.

Quite a few of the boys coming out to club have wondered about and are hoping for a club initiation soon after the first of the year. Maybe



the new officers can arrange with their program committee for an evening devoted to this ritual and the fellows who have requested it are hereby warned that they are asking for it. Hi.

Indianapolis Electronic School downtown on East Washington Street has been sold to the owners of Valparaiso Technical Institute of Valparaiso, Indiana. This is a well known school in the radio and television and electronics field and will continue to operate the school here as it has in the past with some improvements promised.

Al Wellamn, W9VJM is the proud operator of a new Viking L xmitter and says it is a real nice package for the hams.

At the hobby show at the Fairgrounds several other ham exhibits were noted. W9GAR an employee of the Indpls Power and Light company had an exhibit of 420 megacycles equipment, while W9JUQ of Franklin who works at the local Western Electric Shadeland Avenue plant had some ham equipment on display in the W. E. booth. Shortridge high school also had their club station in operation in the novice band.

W9JAY, Dick Mays of Speedway reports that his 75 meter single sideband activities are progressing nicely and hopes for more of the boys to get on this phase of operating.

Phil Kennedy, W9AKP, chief at the local Naval Reserve Armory was due to be released from the Navy recently but instead was sent to Denver for instructions in some advanced type electronic gear the Navy now uses and since returning to Indpls he is to act as instructor for a while. His date of discharge has now been advanced somewhat. W9HLE has been attending night school at Purdue extension, getting help on television etc. and he has moved to New Palestine. HLE, is a brother-in-law of Al Wessel, W9HEX.

A survey of the new club officers notes that many of their wives are very interested in ham radio and it is to be hoped that more activities of the club will include wives and members of families of the members' ship of the club.

Jerry Bramblett, W9POF reports the Arsenal Technical Schools night class of radio code and theory are progressing quite well and invites any of the local gang to drop in for a visit any evening that they are in session. (Mon and Wed nites.)

Glenn Barr, W9KAS is holding ten meter mobile net drills on Wed. nites but would like more to get in on it.

Bill Larned a novice is the owner of a National MC-173 and says it does a pretty good job of helping untangle the snarl on 80 meter cw in the Novice portion of the band.

Spiros Pantazzi, WN9UQQ has been on the air with a surplus army xmtr. and has acquired a BC348 receiver and is progressing fine.

Any reports on the progress of the Butler University radio club and station, At last report they had started forming and applying for a license and had started the publication of a local ham directory.

By the way, if they contact you please help them with the information.



W9POK, Walt says he has over 20 states now, running 40 watts and using an S40-B receiver, likes forty band very well.

Sam T ggart, W9NH has National MB4OL and MB150 all-band tuners he intends to install into his rig soon so he can change bands quickly.

W9RSN is a comparatively new local, formerly of Bluffton, Indd. He is working for Bell telephone company and is active on 75 phone and on forty meter cw.

Commander R. H. G. Matthews, ex9ZN to the old-timers is still located in the Indpls area and in the advertising business with a Chicago agency in the electronics field. Matty it will be remembered pioneered the Zenith Radio Company.

The Ground Wave, the monthly paper of the St. Paul Radio Club lists its new president as Charles G. Compton. Is this our old Charlie? They call attention to the new rules on signing your call. Their paper will be passed around as usual.

Sparks, the TriState Amateur Radio Society's paper With its new editor Lowell Goodson, W9RVB. FB om.

In closing this sheet we ed notes a little line in The Ground Wave which appears appropriate because of the interruption caused by his youngster having to be put to bed. We copy.

Don't spank little children  
Because they don't mind--  
They have so much ahead  
And such a little behind!

Then did we tell you about that call for a nosey four at the local radio store?

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